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1. The economic situation in Albania is extremely poor. There is a shortage of bread and feed. Consumer goods are also scarce. Because of these shortages, many employees and laborers in state enterprises are pilfering from government stocks.
2. In many Albanian towns, such as Elbasan, Fier and Patos, civil servants, including many Communist Party members, are condemned for stealing government property. In July and August 1954, two trials were held in Fier in which 23 men and women were accused of thefts. Two of the accused were sentenced to death. Such trials take place throughout Albania.

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